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: Examiner: S. Ebrahimi Dehkordy
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: Group Art Unit: 2626
Application No.: 09/447,718)
: Filed: November 23, 1999)
: For: IMAGE PROCESSING)
: APPARATUS, READER)
: CONTROLLER, AND METHOD)
: FOR CONTROLLING THE)
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice Of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. 1.121) dated January 5, 2004, which alleges that the Amendment dated December 23, 2003 is non-compliant since claim 50 has an incorrect status identifier.

In response, Applicants hereby re-submit the Amendment To The Claims section from the Amendment with correct status identifiers.

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